

Human Service Transportation Plan Update

Information Available at the ACCT Website

See the ACCT website (<u>www.wsdot.wa.gov/acct</u>) for all of the latest news regarding the new federal requirements for locally developed human service transportation plans. Washington is being held out as a national model and has been invited to present at the Community Transportation Association of America Expo in Orlando next month.

Currently on the ACCT website

ACCT Implements New Federal Planning Requirements

ACCT staff are currently working with transportation providers and planning organizations across the state to implement a new federal planning requirement for federal public transportation grant recipients.

The recently passed SAFETEA-LU requires the establishment of local coordinated plans for all human services transportation programs. Applicants for WSDOT's public transportation grant program are required to participate in the planning process with their local Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RTPO) or Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO).

- 1. FTA Fact Sheet
- 2. Frequently Asked Questions
- 3. Funding Assistance Available for Planning
- 4. Plan Blueprint
- 5. Plan Template
- 6. Federal Register Interim Guidance
- 7. Grant Funds Currently Going into Your Community
- 8. More Info about the Grant Program
- 9. What is an MPO/RTPO?

Contracts Update

| RTPO/MPO | Contracting Status |
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| Benton-Franklin-Walla Walla RTPO (BFCG) Benton, Franklin, and Walla Walla Counties | Contract Complete |
| North Central RTPO (WVTC) Chelan, Douglas, and Okanogan Counties | Final Contract Sent to RTPO |
| North East Washington RTPO (NEW) Ferry, Pend Oreille, and Stevens Counties | Final Contract Sent to RTPO |
| Palouse RTPO Asotin, Columbia, Garfield, and | |
| Whitman Counties Peninsula RTPO Clallery Leffencer Viteer and Mason Counties | Contract Complete |
| Clallam, Jefferson, Kitsap, and Mason Counties Quad County RTPO (QUADCO) Lincoln, Adams, Grant, and Kittitas Counties | Contract Complete |
| Skagit-Island RTPO (SMPO) Skagit and Island Counties | Contract Complete Received Letter of Interest |
| Southwest Washington Regional Transportation Council (SWRTC) | Final Contract Sent for |
| Clark, Skamania, and Klickitat Counties Southwest Washington RTPO (CWCOG) | Skamania Only |
| Cowlitz, Wahkiakum, Lewis, Pacific, and Grays Harbor Counties | Received Letter of Interest |
| Thurston Regional Planning Council (TRPC) Thurston County | Received Letter of Interest |
| Whatcom Council of Governments (WCOG) Whatcom County | Received Letter of Interest |
| Yakima Valley Conference of Governments (YVCOG) | |
| Yakima County | Final Contract Sent to RTPO |